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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to calculation of fees, please enter the following amendments for the above-referenced divisional patent application.

<u>AMENDMENTS</u>

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 6 to read as follows:

- A method of determining if an individual of interest has 6. a glutathione deficiency comprising the steps of:
- isolating lymphocytes from said individual of interest 1) and from more than one control individual;